elements disposition, nature of the used materials are concerned, without nevertheless departing from the scope of the adopted solution idea and, thereby, remaining within the limits of the protection granted to the present patent.

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. An apparatus for the control of brakes in bicycles and the like, to be used, in particular, for disc brakes mounted on bicycles and comprising a pump able
- to push fluid into a hydraulic circuit connected to the brake, wherein said pump is held inside the handlebar (2) or a part (3; 21) associated therewith.
 - 2. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said part (3) is a lug (3) connecting the handlebar (2) to the sleeve.
- 15 3. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said handlebar is of sprint race-type with two curved arms, and wherein the pump is inside the two arms of the handlebar (2).
 - 4. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said part is a portion (21) of the handlebar (2) defining the
- 20 connection of the latter with the sleeve.

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- 5. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said pump comprises a piston (6) connected to a respective control lever (44) through an appendix (46) of said lever (44).
- 25 6. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said pump comprises a piston (6) connected to a respective control lever (44) through a connecting rod (64).
 - 7. The apparatus of claim 3, wherein said pump comprises a piston (6) connected to a respective
- 30 control lever (44) through an appendix (46) of said lever (44).

- 8. The apparatus of claim 3, wherein pump comprises a piston (6) connected to a respective control lever (44) through a connecting rod (64).
- 9. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said pump 5 comprises a piston (6) connected to a respective control lever (44) through a relevant cable (5) held within a sheath (4).
 - 10. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said pump comprises a piston (6) connected to a respective
- 10 control lever (44) through a relevant cable (5) held within a sheath (4); said cable being fixed to the body of the handlebar (2) or to said part (3; 21) associated with the latter, and said piston being pushed by said sheath (40).
- 15 11. The apparatus of one or more preceding claims, wherein said pump is connected with a reservoir (8) held in said handlebar (2) or in said part (3; 21) associated therewith.
- 12. The apparatus of claim 9, wherein said reservoir 20 (8) is provided with a lid (82) which allows it to be accessed from the outside.